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- ☒ [x] Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the US Designated//Elected Office (DO/EO/US).
- ☒ [x] Executed Declaration. The application filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the enclosed Declaration.
- ☒ [x] Check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the late filing of the Declaration, as required by 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b).

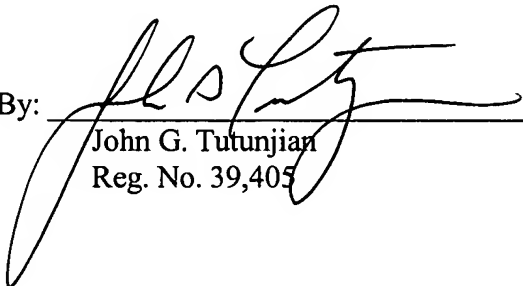
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- ☒ Assignment Document
- ☒ Recordation cover sheet - PTO Form 1595
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/05/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/05/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 05/05/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/05/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/05/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 05/05/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/05/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 05/05/2005
- Specification filed on 05/05/2005
- Claims filed on 05/05/2005
- Drawings filed on 05/05/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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